

## Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

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Kathy Headrick, Coordinator-Abandonments Strategic Planning Norfolk Southern Corporation 3 Commercial Place Norfolk, VA 23510

Re:

DEP File No. CZ7:FPL

Dear Ms. Headrick:

On May 12, 2008, the Pennsylvania Coastal Resources Management (CRM) Program received information concerning the following proposed railroad abandonment:

Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 305X), Norfolk Southern Railway Company - Abandonment -Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

This action was sent for our federal consistency review as required under 15 CFR Part 930 Subpart D - Consistency for Federally Licensed and Permit Activities. We have determined that the above action is located outside of Pennsylvania's Coastal Zones, and will not impact upon them. Therefore, this rail abandonment is consistent with Pennsylvania's CRM Program.

In conclusion, please note that this determination pertains only to the federal consistency review requirements under the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, and does not constitute a waiver from further Department of Environmental Protection's review or other Departmental permits.

> Sincerely, James of Toth

Lawrence J. Toth

Environmental Planner

Coastal Resources Management Program